

SENSATIONAL
ARREST MADEOf City Treasurer Felker of
Newburyport, Mass.

FOR ALLEGED SHORTAGE

One City Official Declares That the
Amount Will Reach \$50,000—
Felker Is Said to Have
Admitted Part of It.

Newburyport, Mass., May 11.—City Treasurer James H. Felker was arrested about midnight, and at a session of the municipal court, hastily held, was remanded in default of bond of \$10,000 to the county jail, charged with a shortage in his accounts.

The shortage is alleged to have been discovered by Mayor Houston, who is cashier of the First National bank. In court Felker pleaded not guilty, but he is said to have made a statement previously to Mayor Houston, in which he admitted certain shortages on notes.

The amount of the shortage is not known, but a hasty examination of the books is said to have indicated that it will amount to between \$40,000 and \$50,000. According to Mayor Houston, Felker has admitted that during the last four years he has negotiated city notes for his own benefit and has used the money for investment of mining stocks, expecting to make a profit and return the money to the city. It is said to have been possible for Felker to negotiate the notes, as they required only his own signature and that of Mayor Houston. The latter official added his name to the notes upon representations of the treasurer, and the fact that no memorandum of them was entered on the city books has gone undiscovered heretofore.

Mayor Houston said last night that he had suspected for some time that the city's indebtedness was larger than it should be, but the first intimation of any wrong in relation to the treasurer came about two weeks ago, when he received a letter from the Roxbury Institute for Savings regarding a note for \$25,000 held by that institution against the city of Newburyport.

Following the receipt of that letter Mayor Houston began an investigation and yesterday he ordered the city auditor to examine all the city's notes. During the investigation it is said that another note could not be satisfactorily accounted for. City Treasurer Felker was then called on for an explanation. It was at this time that he made his alleged confession to the mayor of a shortage.

At the midnight hearing before Judge Simpson of the municipal court, Felker was represented by counsel and entered a plea of not guilty. The case was continued until Monday, when the case will be heard. It is said that the treasurer has been unable to secure the required surety and was remanded to the county jail. Mayor Houston has placed Assistant City Clerk Henry W. Little in charge of the city treasurer's department temporarily. An expert accountant will be engaged today to go to work on the treasurer's books in order to determine the exact amount of the alleged defalcation. It was stated last night on the authority of a city official that the cash on hand in the city hall has been found short \$60,000, but that the total shortage will approximate probably \$50,000.

Mr. Felker has been a prominent citizen, highly regarded. His family consists of his wife and daughter.

STEAL OF \$12,000
IN LYNN CHURCHSuit Case Containing Bonds, Stocks and
Other Securities Was Missing
Last Night

Lynn, Mass., May 11.—A suit case containing \$12,000 worth of bonds, stocks and other securities, many of which are said to be negotiable, was stolen last night from the High Street Free Baptist church, where the Massachusetts Association of Free Baptist Churches has been holding its annual convention. The suit case belonged to the Rev. W. T. Thwait of Lawrence, the treasurer of the association, and the securities are the property of the association.

The Rev. Mr. Thwait left the case in an ante room of the church known as the "advance club room" while he went to supper at about 5 o'clock. When he returned, shortly after 7 o'clock, the suit case had disappeared and a rain coat belonging to Mr. Thwait and containing about \$20 in cash was also missing.

At the time Treasurer Thwait left his valuable suit case in the ante room there was no one in that room, though a few people were lingering in the main part of the church engaged in conversation. As far as has been learned, no one was seen to enter the ante room after Mr. Thwait went to supper, but a man carrying a dress suit case and a rain coat was seen leaving the church entrance early in the evening. From the description given of this man the police are inclined to the opinion that he brought a ticket for Deyre at the railroad station and departed on an east-bound train. He is described as a man 40 or 45 years of age, about 5 feet 6 inches tall and with a face somewhat of the Chinese type.

The police of Deyre and other stations along the line of the Boston and Maine were asked to watch for the man with the raincoat and dress suit case answering this description. At the session of the Free Baptist convention last night an announcement was made that a dress suit case and a rain coat had been lost, and the police of Deyre were asked to return it to Treasurer Thwait, but the congregation was given no intimation of the loss of the association's securities.

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Rutland, May 11.—A motion to have the verdict of the jury in the case of Samuel D. Wilson vs. Percival W. Clement set aside was made yesterday by the attorneys for the defendant in the United States courts. This motion is based on two grounds and is worded as follows:

1.—For that said verdict is against the evidence.

2.—For that there is no evidence in said case to warrant the finding by the jury that the defendant is guilty, and therefore said verdict is contrary to law. Therefore the said defendant moves that the same be set aside and a new trial granted.

This case was tried here last week and a verdict for the plaintiff to recover damages of \$1,000 was returned. It was expected that the matter would be carried to a higher court.

NELSON TROMBLY HELD.

Will Be Given a Hearing Saturday on
Charge of Stealing Horses.

Middlebury, May 11.—State's Attorney Russell presented a warrant from Justice Empey for the arrest of Nelson Trombly, based on information procured from different parties tending to implicate Trombly in connection with the stealing of the team of gray horses from Edson Brown. A partial examination was had when the accused was held under bail of \$1,000 for examination on Saturday morning. In default of the bonds Trombly was sent to jail. Sheriff W. F. Goleb served the papers.

SLIPPED INTO STREAM.

Hazen Urie of White River Junction
Drowned.

White River Junction, May 11.—Hazen Urie, aged five years, was drowned here in the Connecticut river at five o'clock yesterday afternoon. He and a brother of nine years were playing along the bank near their home, when Hazen slipped and fell into the stream. The boy's current carried him off, in spite of his brother's efforts to rescue him. He was a son of the Boston & Maine station agent at West Lebanon. The body has not yet been found.

ALLEGED DEER SLAYER.

Has Skipped Over the Line Into Canada,
Commissioner Reports.

Stowe, May 11.—Messrs. Willette of Norton and Delahay of Cannon Hills were recently arrested for illegal killing of a deer by Clark Rich of Averill. They were taken in hand by Sheriff LaFayette Stevens of Lebanon Pond and Willette skipped to Canada. Delahay was placed under \$200 bonds until September term of court. Commissioner Thompkins has received reports of four deer killed by dogs in the vicinity of Brandon, reported by Warden Stikney, one deer illegally shot by Mud pond, Leicester, and one at Lake Dunmore.

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Rutland, May 11.—The family of Henry O. Carpenter of this city has just recovered several pieces of jewelry lost last summer through a most daring daylight robbery. While the family was watching a circus parade less than 500 feet from the house, thieves entered a window, rifled the bureau, took rings and other jewelry valued for their associations. Recently a boy found some of the jewelry in an empty freight car on the outskirts of the city. Nearby was Mrs. Carpenter's card. The thieves kept the pearl ring and other things of money value, but the family is glad to get back the heirlooms.

OBSERVED 91st BIRTHDAY.

Herekiah Corlies of Richmond, a Life-long
Resident.

Richmond, May 11.—Herekiah Corlies, the oldest resident of this place, celebrated his 91st birthday yesterday. He has spent his entire life in Richmond, and is the last but one of a family of twelve children. One brother, Ephraim, aged 83, resides in South Dakota. Herekiah Corlies is the father of former Congressman John B. Corlies of Detroit, Michigan.

The old gentleman is on the street nearly every day. He has voted in every presidential election since 1836. His wife died in 1904. Of their six children five are alive. There are eleven grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

PRISONER ESCAPES.

Eli Odel of Middlebury Got Out of House
of Correction Last Evening.

Rutland, May 11.—Eli Odel, aged 15, from Middlebury, escaped from the house of correction late yesterday afternoon, by stealing a civilian's suit of clothes and hiding in the barn until the other inmates had finished milking. Then he climbed the back fence. He was put in the institution December 31, 1904, for three years on the charge of larceny. Officers are searching the surrounding territory for him, and the police of adjoining towns have been notified. He is about five feet, 135 pounds, dark hair and wears a black suit of clothes.

Odel was considered a model prisoner in every respect. He was intelligent and handsome in appearance.

FOUR FATALITIES

Cave-in at Worcester, Mass., Today.

White an Excavation Was Being
Made for a Build-
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Worcester, Mass., May 11.—As the result of a cave-in while excavating for a new building opposite the fire head-quarters today, two men are dead, two are on the dangerous list in a hospital, while a fifth will recover. The men were working 12 feet below the level of the street.

AFTER SHORT ILLNESS.

George R. Heath of Bethel Died This
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Bethel, May 11.—George R. Heath, 60 years of age, janitor of the high school building, died early this morning of Graves' disease. He worked until last evening. He is well known in the county, where he was born.

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CENSURED ELECTRIC RAILROAD.

Montpelier City Council Uses the Lash
Severely.

At the meeting of the Montpelier city council Wednesday evening the Barre & Montpelier electric railroad was severely censured, and at the request of the railroad committee Supt. Andrus of the company was present to hear it. The members of the board strongly censured the management of the road for the condition of its roadbed and the resultant bad condition of the adjacent parts of the streets. Special attention was called to the condition of the Seminary hill line and to the absence of the company's present to hear it. The members of the board strongly censured the management of the road for the condition of its roadbed and the resultant bad condition of the adjacent parts of the streets. Special attention was called to the condition of the Seminary hill line and to the absence of the company's present to hear it.

RUTLAND R. R. APPEALS.

Against Decision of Vermont Railroad
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Montpelier, May 11.—In Supreme court yesterday a Rutland county case, an appeal of the Rutland Railroad Co. against a decision of the state railroad commissioners was set for trial next Tuesday.

This case grows out of the automobile accident at a Bennington railroad crossing August 12, 1905, when Harris Lindsey, deputy police commissioner of New York, and his fiancée, Miss Evelyn P. Wilking of Chicago, were killed, being struck by a train. As a result of an investigation the Rutland Railroad Co. was forbidden by the railroad commission to run an engine with tread rods ahead on the Bennington branch of the road. The railroad company claims that the commission had no right to issue such an order.

DATE OF CONVENTION

SET AHEAD ONE DAY

Episcopal Meeting Will Be in Barre on
June 21 and 22—The Of-
ficers of the Local
Church.

The annual business meeting of the Episcopal church was held last evening in the church parlors. Reports from the various officers showed the church to have had a very progressive year, the finances of the church and all the societies connected with it being shown as in a satisfactory condition.

F. G. Howland was reappointed warden and the election of officers resulted in H. K. Bush being selected as secretary and John Robbins as treasurer.

The date of the state convention of Episcopal churches, which is to be held in this city, was changed from June 20 and 21 to June 21 and 22. The delegates from the church of the Good Shepherd are as follows:

F. G. Howland, H. R. Bush, B. H. Anker and Peter Emslie. The alternates were Alexander Coburn, James Trail, Robert Cordner, and John Robbins.

STUDENTS READ ESSAYS.

Section of Middle Class in High School
Called Upon.

The first half of the middle class of Spaulding high school read their essays yesterday afternoon as follows: "Relief of the Poor," Shirley Bradford, "Artificial Refrigeration," Fred Noel, "The American Circus," Mabel Wilton, "Robert Gould Shaw," Nellie Slayton, "Piano solo, Mandolin," "Evolution of the Piano," John Carroll, "Our Wards," Kathryn Ahern, "Natural Gas," John Miles, "Music, vocal solo, Nellie Slayton, "Growth of Greek Philosophy," Lizzie Brown, "Syllogism," Florence Howard, "Lack of Home Life in America," Mina Walker, "Advantages of College Education in Business," Ray Worthen.

FIRE INQUEST ADJOURNS.

No Definite Result of Search for Cause
of Quinlan Building Fire.

The inquest into the cause of the fire in the Quinlan building on North Main street last Wednesday morning closed yesterday afternoon with no definite result. State's Attorney Jackson announced that the hearing was simply adjourned.

WHERE, OH, WHERE IS HE?

Editor Times: The Williamson road commissioner has worked the road machine on nearly all the main roads, which are in fine shape. The City has nearly completed the work with the road machine, but where, oh, where is the road commissioner of the Town of Barre? The roads are in a deplorable condition and seem nothing but a dog.

GET YOUR PHOSPHATE AT THE AVERILL MILLS.

Have you seen those beautiful embroidered shirt waist suit patterns at Kline's?

COURT FINDS
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Indications That the Docket of the May
Term Will Be Completed by
Next Week—Some Cases
Argued.

There was no sitting of the Vermont Supreme court at Montpelier this morning because there was nothing to do. In fact, there is so little on the docket that all the business of the term will be completed by